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Appl. No.: 10/501,786 Group: 1645
Filed: July 19, 2004 Examiner:
For: NOVEL BINDING EPTTOPES FOR HELICOBACTER PYLORI AND USE
THEREOF
ATTN: REFUND SECTION
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REQUEST FOR REFUND
(Improper Charge of Deposit Account)

MS 16

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Sir:

I. REFUND REQUEST

This is a request for a refund with respect to the charge to Deposit Account

02-2448.

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II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

	AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED
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TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED	=====

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III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

The claim count in the present application, as filed, was in error. The claim count was calculated as 77 total claims and 10 independent claims, and a payment of \$ 1918.00 was accordingly made for the excess claims. However, upon further consideration, it was discovered that the claims were in improper multiple-dependent format, which improper format was not considered when the claim fee was calculated. In a Preliminary Amendment submitted on even date, the improper claims are canceled, and new claims 68-83 are added. The total claim fee for these claims is \$ 462.00. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that a total of \$1456.00 (i.e., \$1918.00-\$462.00) be refunded to Applicants.

IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Account No. 02-2448.

We respectfully request that the attached copy of this letter be returned to us with an indication that the credit has been processed.

Respectfully submitted,

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